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## Banks.

### COMPTOIR D'ESCOMpte DE PARIS.

INCORPORATED BY NATIONAL DECREES OF 7TH AND 8TH MARCH, 1846.

BY IMPERIAL DECREES OF 26TH JULY, 1854, AND 31ST DECEMBER, 1866.

Recognised by the  
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF  
30TH APRIL, 1862.

Francs & Sterling.  
PAID-UP CAPITAL, ... 80,000,000 8,200,000  
RESERVE FUND, ..... 20,000,000 800,000

HEAD OFFICE.—14, Rue Bergere, Paris,  
LONDON AGENCY.—14, Leadenhall St.,  
E.C.  
AGENTS.—At Nantes, Lyons, Mar  
seilles, Brussels, Bombay, Calcutta,  
St. Denis (Ile de la Réunion), Hong  
kong, Shanghai and Yokohama.  
LONDON BANKERS.—Bank of England,  
Union Bank of London.

## HONGKONG AGENCY.

### INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate  
of 2 per cent. per annum on the  
monthly minimum balances, and on Fixed  
Deposits at rates which may be ascertained  
at the offices.

CHR. DE GUIGNÉ,  
Manager.

Offices in Hongkong: Bank Buildings,  
Queen's Road,  
Hongkong, May 14, 1875.

### HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK ING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, ... 5,000,000 Dollars.  
RESERVE FUND, ..... 100,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.  
Chairman—E. R. BELLINOS, Esq.  
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H. HOFFMUS, Esq. F. D. SASCOON, Esq.  
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Hongkong, JAMES GREIG, Esq.,  
Manager.

Shanghai, EWEN CAMERON, Esq.  
LONDON BANKERS.—London and County  
Bank.

### HONGKONG,

### INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate  
of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily  
balance.

On Fixed Deposits:  
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "  
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

### LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities,  
and every description of Banking and  
Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the  
chief Commercial places in Europe, India,  
Australia, America, China and Japan.

JAMES GREIG,  
Chief Manager,

Offices of the Corporation,  
No. 1, Queen's Road East,  
Hongkong, February 17, 1876.

### TAKASIMA COLLIERY.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
Agents.

### FOR SALE.

FRESH Takasima COAL, in lots to  
suit purchasers, Large Hamperised  
Double-sacked at \$8 per Ton. SMALL  
At \$6 per Ton.

Apply to T. D. GLOVER,  
No. 7, Queen's Road end of East Point,  
Hongkong, December 5, 1875.

## Auctions.

### FURNITURE SALE.

ELEGANT ENGLISH AND CANTON-  
MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,  
SEMI-GRAND PIANO, PARK  
PHATON AND PAIR OF PONIES.

A FINE COLLECTION OF FERNS,  
CAMELLIAS, BOSES, AND OTHER CHOICE  
PLANTS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO. have  
received instructions to sell by  
Public Auction, on

### TUESDAY,

the 29th February, 1876, at Noon, at  
"DUART," CAINE ROAD,

The Residence of the Honourable T. C.  
HAYLLAR, Esq.,—

The whole of his Handsome and Substan-  
tially made HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,  
comprising,—

Handsome Carved EBONY SIDE and  
CENTRE TABLES, Mahogany MARONS  
Monoco Coated COUCHES and CHAIRS,  
Covered Bombay Blackwood COUCHES,  
and FLOWER STANDS, Inlaid Ornate  
CHEFFONIER, and Japanese CABINETS,  
Handsome Mantelpieces MIRRORS,  
OIL PAINTINGS, CHROMO-  
LITHOGRAPH, ENGRAVINGS, CAR-  
PET, Window Curtains, Gilt Cornices,  
Gasoliers, Aquariums, Bronze and  
Porcelain VASES.

Handsome BOOK CASE, Carved SIDE-  
BOARD with MIRROR BACK, Glass and  
Crockery Ware, Silver and Electro Plated  
Table Ware, Whatnots, Chairs, Clocks,  
Plated Candlesticks.

Handsome Gilt BRASS BEDSTEAD  
with Feather Mattresses, BUREAU with  
Mirror, Wardrobes, Chest of Drawers,  
Marble-top Washstands, Toilet Glasses,  
Cheval Glasses, Iron and Brass Bedsteads,  
Lamps,

etc., etc., etc.

A GRAND PIANO by J. BROADBWOOD  
& SONS, made expressly to stand this  
Climate.

One 4-wheeled PARK PHATON, by  
LANE, with a pair of WHITE PONIES,  
and Double Set SILVER MOUNTED  
HARNESSES.

Ladies' & Gentlemen's Sedan CHAIRS.  
Etc., Etc., Etc.

The Carriage and Ponies, and the Plants  
will be sold at 4 o'clock.

Catalogues will be issued prior to the  
Sale, and the Furniture will be on view on  
MONDAY, the 28th February, 1876.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery  
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.  
The lots, with all faults and errors of  
description whatsoever, at purchaser's risk  
on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, Feb. 14, 1876. m29

### UNAVOIDABLY POSTPONED.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

### SUBSTANTIAL ENGLISH AND COLO- NIAL MADE

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,  
ENGRAVINGS, GLASS-WARE,  
PLATED-WARE, PIANO,

etc., etc., etc.

THE Undersigned has received in-  
structions from JOHN G. SMITH,  
Esq., to sell by Public Auction, on

### MONDAY,

the 6th day of March, 1876, at  
Noon, at his residence, "Idle Wild,"  
owing to change of residence, —

The whole of his Substantial English  
and Colonial-made Household FURNI-  
TURE, etc., comprising: Drawing, Dining  
and Bed Room Suites, Glassware,  
Plated Ware, Dinner, Dessert and Breakfast  
Sets, Engravings, Pier Glasses,  
Gasoliers, Gas Brackets, Carpets, Win-  
dow Curtains and Cornices, Marble-top  
Tables, Book Case, Dining Table, Side  
Board, Whatnots, Chairs, Iron Bed-  
steads, Wardrobes, Toilet Tables, Wash-  
stands and Services, etc., etc.

And,

A Cottage PIANO.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery  
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.  
All Lots, with all faults and errors of  
description at purchaser's risk on the fall  
of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,  
Auctioneer,  
Hongkong, Feb. 25, 1876. m26

### Intimations.

### HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

### NOTICE.

THE Traders BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 16th to  
the 29th Instant, both days included.

By Order,

D. GILLIES,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 19, 1876. m29

## Intimations.

### In the Goods of CAPTAIN LAWRENCE YOUNG, Deceased.

### FOR SALE BY PRIVATE TENDER.

THE GOODWILL FURNITURE,  
FIXTURES & STOCK-IN-TRADE  
of and belonging to the "LONDON INN,"  
No. 126, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

The Sale will be made subject to the  
consent of the Justices of the Peace being  
granted to a Transfer of the existing  
License of the said "LONDON INN" to the  
purchaser.

A Meeting of Justices will be appointed  
for the purpose of hearing the application  
for such License to Transfer.

The Executors do not bind themselves  
to accept the highest, or any offer.

For further particulars, apply to Messrs  
STEPHENS & HOLMES, Solicitors, 2 Club  
Chambers, Hongkong.

Hongkong, February 22, 1876. m29

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

I HAVE this day authorized Mr J. Y. V.  
SHAW to sign my name for procura-  
tion.

A. MAGG. HEATON.

Hongkong, January 1, 1876.

### COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

### NOTICE.

FROM this date and until further notice,  
Mr G. de CHAMPEAU will act, at  
this Port, as Agent of the above Company,  
By Order of the Directors.

O. BERTRAND.

Hongkong, January 29, 1876.

### NOTICE.

M. JAMES GREIG having been  
granted leave of absence, Mr THOMAS  
JACKSON will, until further notice, act as  
Chief Manager of this Corporation.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

JAMES GREIG,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 23, 1876. m29

### NOTICE.

WE have Established branches of our  
Firm at Haiphong and Hanoi. Mr  
E. CONSTANTIN is authorized to sign  
procuration in Tongkin.

LANDSTEIN & CO.

Hongkong, December 31, 1875.

### NOTICE.

M. LIUNG TSUNG alias CHI SHU,  
 lately an employee in the Lee Ching  
shop, No. 24, Queen's Road Central, Hong-  
kong, has not been employed there this  
year, and if he goes to any shop to get  
money, goods, etc., the Undersigned will  
not be held RESPONSIBLE for any debts  
contracted by him. This Notice is given  
in order to prevent any future dispute.

LEE CHING SHOP.

Hongkong, February 23, 1876. m29

### NOTICE.

M. MAYER ELIAS SASOON has been  
admitted a Partner in our Firm from  
the 1st January ultimo.

E. D. SASOON & CO.

Hongkong, February 3, 1876. m29

### NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have entered into Co-  
partnership from the First day of  
January, 1876, in the Business of Ship-  
brokers at this Port, under the style of  
MARKS & RAY.

A. G. MORRIS,  
E. C. RAY.

Bank Buildings,

Hongkong, February 3, 1876. m29

### For Sale.

### CLEARANCE SALE.

SAYLE & CO. will offer, on  
and after TUESDAY Next,  
the 18th Instant, the re-  
mainder of their Winter  
Stock at Greatly Reduced  
Prices, consisting of:—

Winter Costumes and Polonaises.

Ladies' Jackets and Mantillas.

Fancy Dress materials of all kinds.

## Intimations.

NOTICE IN EXPLANATION OF A SLANDER.

THE principles of right or wrong will reveal themselves in course of time; and this saying is clearly set forth in the History of China. When undue reliance is placed on statements by word of mouth, a good argument is always wanting, and this is what the Book of Changes has always guarded people against. If a man is not guilty of anything seriously wrong, it is likely that he will submit himself to be killed?

With regard to Lai Ming Chun, he is indeed a bare-faced fellow, and one who has no regard for anything. On the 27th day of the 10th Moon last year (24th November 1875), he slandered Messrs. Tsangshun Yee and Woo Lin Tak by falsely accusing them of being engaged in the notorious trade of selling people for the purposes of emigration, and that in their transactions they were in fact kidnappers. And finally, he recorded the same in the *Tsun Wan Yat Po*, (The Universal Circulating Herald), so that Messrs. Tsang and Woo had thought of suing him before the local authorities, so that he might be punished for libelling people's character. Fortunately for him, however, Lai Ming Chun learnt in time of his own wrong and now he has voluntarily consented to pay the penalty of bearing the legal expenses in the sum of \$600, and to pay also (into the poor box) \$25, for the relief of the Hongkong poor; also, from his own funds, to pay the costs of inserting in the Chinese and foreign newspapers, three of each; for the period of one month, an article, in order to redress himself from what he has been guilty of. But this, nevertheless, would not actually be sufficient to cover the enormity of his sin. The reason why Messrs. Tsang and Woo condescended to these terms was because they had been advised by intimate friends, who urged that, inasmuch as both parties were Chinamen, how could they, Messrs. Tsang and Woo, have the heart to see him (Lai Ming Chun) put in a gao of the foreigner? So that it would be far better that they should forgive him, but inflict a small penalty by way of a small warning.

It so happened, luckily, that Messrs. Tsang and Woo's magnanimity proved to be as expansive as the sea and as capacious as the ocean, and it was thus that the matter was put an end to. This is sufficient to shew that Messrs. Tsang and Shun are peaceful and quiet men, and that they have done a very good act. But Lai Ming Chun is a man who is very much conceited (*i.e.* the night pedestrian who thinks a great deal of himself), and one who falsely dilates in nature and rillery. He began life in a very mean position, and is not of a respectable family (*i.e.* the descendant of the pure and white). While in a mercantile position, he, moreover, offends his superiors. Therefore it would not be arbitrary were he to be banished beyond the frontier, nor would it be too much were he to be put to the sword (*i.e.* under the axe). Now that he is only fined in so small a sum, it is indeed his good fortune that he has escaped greater consequences.

## ONE WHO UPHELD JUSTICE.

Hongkong, 19th Feb., 1876. mcl9

This has reference to a Chinese story, which, in its moral, is very similar to the Frog and Bull story in *Aesop's Fables*.—Translator.

## NOTICE.

A MAN'S character should be judged from what it has been before, and by that means elegance or worthlessness can be discerned. A story should be judged by its true or false bearings, so that right and wrong may be distinguished. These remarks apply to the case in which Messrs. Tsangshun Yee and Woo Lin Tak were, on the 27th day of the 10th moon last year (24th November 1875), slandered by Lai Ming Chun.

Messrs. Tsangshun Yee and Woo Lin Tak have been residing for more than ten years in Hongkong and have always been employed in representing Nam Pak Hongas in their transactions with foreigners. While their character stands high, their conduct is excellent, and they have for a long time been respected by both Chinese and foreigners. They have not only not borne a name that is approaching to anything improper, but they have not in the course of all their actions done anything objectionable. Unexpectedly, however, slander came upon them unawares, but of course, when virtue stands high, reproach will come. They were therefore falsely charged by Lai Ming Chun's letter, which was void of all truth, with selling people for emigration abroad. They are indeed labouring under a false imputation from which it is now difficult for them to clear themselves. Our office, therefore, in punishing Lai Ming Chun for having done what he ought not to have done, orders him—and he consents—to pay the sum of \$600 the amount of legal expenses; he has also by way of punishment to pay \$25 into the Poor Box for the benefit of the Hongkong Poor. He is further punished by having to pay the expenses of advertising in the Chinese and foreign newspapers in the Colony, three of each; for the period of one month, a notice which will bring before the public his sin in this defamation. Reparations like these will, perhaps, allay in a measure the indignation which Messrs. Tsang and Woo feel.

When a man finds fault with others he ought in the first instance to enquire whether he himself is unblameable. Now Lai Ming Chun, as a man, is not one who is numbered among the gentry, nor is his name pronounced by the lips of the illustrious. Yet he falsely dilates in slanderous language and spreads it肆意地 by word of mouth stories to the detriment and pollution of (the good name of) Messrs. Tsang and Woo. It was right therefore that Messrs. Tsang and Woo sought to sue him in the Courts of Justice, and he was on the eve of being punished by the utmost penalty of the law. Fortunately, however, Messrs. Tsang and Woo's magnanimity is expansive as the sea and as capacious as the ocean, and they deal with people liberally; with that end in view, they therefore prefer, instead of punishing him, as he rightly deserves, to forgive him of the enormous crime of which he has been guilty. Having ceased litigation, now, they have no animosity against any one, and by so doing, they cherish the friendly tie that exists amongst the Chinese class. They have also shown that in doing this they are inflicting a lenient punishment for the sake of a great warning. They are indeed fully

sustaining the benevolent principles of the great men, and for this act of theirs, may the happiness (or good fortune) of Messrs. Tsang and Woo never grow less.

THE UNIVERSAL CIRCULATING HERALD  
(TSUN WAN YAT PO).

Hongkong, February 19, 1876. mcl9

## FOR SALE.

THIS Season's American HAMS and BACON in prime condition. Smoked SALMON.

MADEWEN, FRICKEL & CO.  
Hongkong, February 19, 1876.

## To-day's Advertisements.

## STEAM TO YOKOHAMA.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S.  
"MALACCA"  
will leave for the above place  
on WEDNESDAY NEXT,  
the 1st Prox., at Daylight.

A. McIVER,  
Superintendent.  
Hongkong, February 28, 1876. mcl9

## STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

(Taking Cargo at through rates for  
NAGASAKI & HIAGO.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S.  
"TEHERAN"  
will leave for the above place  
on WEDNESDAY NEXT,  
the 1st Prox., at Noon.

A. McIVER,  
Superintendent.  
Hongkong, February 28, 1876. mcl9

## FOR SWATOW, AMOY &amp; FOOCHEW.

The Steamship  
"KWINGTUNG,"  
Captain PIRMAN, will be de-  
spatched for the above Ports  
THURSDAY, the 2nd Proximo, at  
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LAPRAK & CO.  
Hongkong, February 28, 1876. mcl9

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

S. S. TIGRE.

## NOTICE.

CONSIGNERS of Cargo per S. S.  
"Gange," from London, in connec-  
tion with the above Steamer, are hereby  
informed that their Goods are being  
landed and stored at their risk at the  
Company's Godowns, whence delivery may  
be obtained from the 28th instant, at  
10 a.m.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on,  
unless intimation is received from the Con-  
signees, before 2 p.m. To-morrow, request-  
ing it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after THU-  
RSAY, the 2nd March, at Noon, will be  
subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Acting Agent.  
Hongkong, February 28, 1876. mcl9

## NOTICE.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

Feb. 26, *Brena*, German barque, 880,  
Timo, Massao Feb. 25, Ballast.—WIELER  
& CO.

Feb. 27, *Ankan*, Chinese gunboat, 221,  
J. Gedail from Canton.

Feb. 27, *Antaudous*, H. M.'s flag-ship,  
6750, P. H. Colom, Manila Feb. 23.

Feb. 27, *Thistle*, H. M.'s gun vessel, 464,  
Francis Stirling, Manila Feb. 22, 6 a.m.

Feb. 27, *Jazz*, Dutch steamer, 886,

Goddard, Salagon Feb. 26, Rice.—EDWARD  
SOEHNLEIN & CO.

Feb. 27, *Fyen*, Danish steamer, 909, D.  
Torn, Singapore Feb. 15, Cape St. James  
20, General.—LANDSTEIN & CO.

Feb. 28, *Chinkung*, British steamer, 798,  
James Hogg, Shanghai Feb. 18, General  
—SIEGMUND & CO.

Feb. 28, *Esmeralda*, British steamer, 395,  
E. Thebaud, Amy Feb. 27, General—  
A. MAGG. HEATON.

Feb. 28, *Yangtze*, from Canton.

Feb. 28, *Golconde*, British steamer, 1253,  
C. Anderson, Shanghai Feb. 25, Mails and  
General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Feb. 28, *Bombay*, British steamer, 1327,  
H. E. Smith, Yokohama Feb. 22, Mails and  
General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Feb. 28, *Penang*, British steamer, 1707,  
A. H. Johnson, Bombay Feb. 8, Galle 13,  
Penang 19, Singapore 22, Mails and General  
—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Feb. 28, *Teheran*, British steamer, 1670,  
A. H. Johnson, Bombay Feb. 8, Galle 13,  
Penang 19, Singapore 22, Mails and General  
—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Feb. 28, *Drage*, Glasgow Jan. 6, General—  
JARDINE, MATHERSON & CO.

## DEPARTURES.

Feb. 27, *Yeo*, for Swatow, &c.

27, *Maharajah*, for Saigon.

28, *Emeralda*, for Manila.

28, *Gunga*, for Manila.

28, *Leonor*, for Amoy, &c.

28, *Lysse-moon*, for Coochown.

28, *Tanais*, for Yokohama.

28, *Tigre*, for Shanghai.

28, *Yangtze*, for Shanghai.

28, *Columba*, for Bangkok.

28, *Vanadon*, for Manila.

28, *Rajanantianchar*, for Bangkok.

## CLEARED.

Christine, for Iloilo.

Hammonia, for Takao.

Murina, for Cobit.

Pow An, for Canton.

Carrolls Magna, for Manila.

Flying Eagle, for Manila.

Haitie, for Manila.

## PASSENGERS.

Arrived.—Per *Nere*, for Hongkong;

from Marseilles, Mrs. Bradley, Messrs.

Holler, Fige, Rolason, le Savage, and Mr.

Moss' servant; from Singapore, Messrs.

Holt, Son, Smith and Young Wah; from

Saigon, Mr. Falzon de Cidonia, and Mr.

Oliver. For Shanghai; from Marseilles, Mr.

and Mrs. Gordon, Messrs. Maxwell, Fobieh

Young, Molter and Norton. For Yoko-

hama; from Marseilles, Messrs. Simagawa

and servant, Sale and Shirata.

Per *Chung Ning*, from Shanghai, Messrs.

Harrison, Mayring and Kessell, and 22

Chinese.

Left.—Per *Yeo*, for Hongkong;

from Venice, V. Gesum, and J. B. Mallon,

Sister, M. S. Gallino, M. L. Morelli, M. A.

Balde, and S. Rossi; from Southampton,

Miss Huffam, Messrs. E. W. Dent, J. Ed-

munds, A. H. Edmunds, W. Mathew, and Capt.

A. E. Dupres, &c.; from Gallo, Mrs.

Lorin; and Mr. Anderson; from Singapore,

H. E. Major General Colborne, &c.; Capt.

Hastie, A. N. C. R. Stevens, when Koo

and servant, Private Hillman, and 20 Chi-

nese. From Venice for Shanghai; Captain

McAlmont. From Southampton for Yoko-

hama, Messrs. E. D. Murray and H. L.

Boyle. 2

For *Teheran*, for Hongkong; from Venice,

Rev. V. Gesum, and J. B. Mallon, Sister,

M. S. Gallino, M. L. Morelli, M. A.

Balde, and S. Rossi; from Southampton,

Miss Huffam, Messrs. E. W. Dent, J. Ed-

munds, A. H. Edmunds, W. Mathew, and Capt.

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Lorin; and Mr. Anderson; from Singapore,

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SUPPLEMENT  
TO THE  
**CHINA MAIL.**

HONGKONG, MONDAY, 28TH FEBRUARY, 1876.

**Merchant Vessels in Harbour.**

Exclusive of Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *a*, near the Kowloon shore *b*, and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *c*, in connection with the figures denoting the sections.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.	Section.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.	5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's.	6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. & O. Co.'s Office.	7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
	8. From Pier to East Point.

*Note.—* The numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 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that one of the unfortunate fellows, not being able to stand this treatment any longer, declared to his comrades that he, should the captain once more try to vent his rage on him, would jump overboard and drown himself. A few days later, the same boy, when at the wheel, was struck by the captain in the face, and, without losing a moment's time, he swung himself over the ship's side into the ocean. So determined was the unfortunate boy that he refused to avail of a rope which was thrown to him, and after swimming a few strokes he sunk and disappeared. When the barque, a splendid new vessel of a thousand tons, returned to Hamburg, the captain was denounced by the crew and brought before the Court. Although his counsel pleaded in a very eloquent and ingenious speech for a penalty in money, he was sentenced for six months' imprisonment.

The captain of the Swedish steamer *Aug. Lefter*, which vessel, after being several years employed in the China coasting trade, is bound to Hamburg—was not destined to see his home again. The steamer had to call at Malta for coals, and Captain Björk being sick, was left behind there, from whence a few days ago a telegram to the owners at Gothenburg brought the melancholy intelligence that he died on the 2nd inst.

Mr Frank Moulton has instituted through his counsel, Gen. Roger A. Pryor, a civil suit in the Supreme Court, Brooklyn, for \$50,000 damages against the Rev. Henry Ward Beecher. Papers have been served on Mr Beecher personally. Only a single question will be at issue in the coming suit. This will be the truth or falsity of Mr Moulton's allegation that Mr Beecher had committed adultery with Mrs Tilton. For the determination of this question Mrs Tilton will be a vital witness, and will certainly be called, as well as a number of others whose testimony was excluded on the great trial. On the other hand, the question of Mrs. Tilton's character not being in any way at issue, the testimony of a large number of the witnesses produced at the Tilton-Beecher trial will not be competent; the trial will, therefore, be a brief one, and it is anticipated that it will not occupy more than a fortnight.

#### HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY.

##### HALF-YEARLY MEETING.

The ordinary half-yearly meeting of shareholders in this Company was held this afternoon (28th Feb.) at the Co's Office. Present:—Hon. W. Keswick (in the Chair), Messrs Maciver, Hoppius, A. Manger, Emory, W. H. Bell, Newton, Coxon, W. M. Morgan, Cordes, Robinson, Vaucher, Dr. Adams and Mr. Gillies (secretary).

The Secretary having read the notice calling the meeting, the Chairman observed that to save time they would take the report and accounts as read. Mr Keswick proceeded to remark that the report was brief, but it contained or alluded to everything that was necessary. The amount of work done during the past six months, treated of in the report was satisfactory, but the Directors regretted that the net profits on the work were so comparatively small. They had been disappointed at the result, and on looking back and as it were analysing the accounts, they found that too much of the profit on unfinished contracts had been credited to the first six months of 1875, and too little left to be charged in the last six months. This was so far satisfactory. The shareholders would no doubt have heard, from public rumour, that certain matters were found not to be satisfactory regarding the management of the Company, which had doubtless injured them. The late secretary, either from his want of interest or a too active disposition to benefit himself by means which he ought not legitimately to have employed, had caused the Company to lose a great deal. But they had now got rid of that person; and he hoped that now the interests of the Company would advance, in view of the interest that every one on the Board now took in its affairs. They would have to guard themselves against undue assurance of success. With the present competition, rates had been cut down very much, and it was evident that they would now have to work in the most economical manner possible before they could add to the net profits. The last six months had been a most anxious period, full of trouble and vexation, and possibly of much misrepresentation; but he had no doubt that good would result; and in the future of the Company he had every confidence. It was in a sound position, supplied a want which was capable of great increase; and they hoped soon to be able to show a better balance sheet than before. He would propose the adoption of the Report and Accounts, but would be glad to answer any question arising out of these remarks, and give the fullest discussion on any points brought before him.

Mr Bell asked whether or not Mr Minto had been in receipt of any money from the Company since his connection with the Company had ceased.

The Chairman replied that he had; and he then read from a letter dated June 6, 1873, in which the Directors, while stating that they were not justified in depending on Mr Minto's return, and could not afford to maintain a Secretary when Mr Duncan could do the work, in compensation for past efficient services, they would pay him for three years (ending 30th June 1876) half-yearly the sum of \$1000. This sum the Chairman believed had been paid to Mr Minto.

Mr Gillies replied that, on obtaining leave of absence, Mr Minto's salary was paid in full for eighteen months, and an arrangement was made with Mr Duncan and Mr Liddell, who received a portion of the salary. The Chairman said that by this latter arrangement it did not make much difference to the Company.

Mr Bell, however, desired to know whether Mr Minto had not received in all \$18,000; he believed that this was the case, and he thought it rather hard that during that time the shareholders were getting nothing.

The Chairman said he would inquire into the matter, but he could not answer at once, as the present members of the Board did not know any more than he did at the moment.

Mr Bell thanked the Chairman. Referring to the last paragraph of the Report, Mr Bell would like to know what the reason was which induced the Board to dispense with Mr Duncan's services.

The Chairman replied that, as the Directors might have to take steps of a legal character in consequence of what may called the dismissal of the late Secretary, he could not well enter upon a discussion of the reasons why they dispensed with Mr Duncan's services. As to the question of his fitness for the appointment, the Directors found

while the grossest possible negligence in the management of everything was apparent. One instance was that a payment supposed to be made at Whampoa was not made at all. One man was drawing money for labor which was never employed, and the late Secretary was aware that such practices existed; while there were many other cases equally bad, which in the opinion of the Directors rendered it necessary to dispense with Mr Duncan's services. These things had been done with the craft and subtlety of the Devil, to use plain language, and it was difficult in some cases to unravel the truth.

Mr Bell asked whether or not Mr Duncan was to receive compensation.

The Chairman replied that the Board decided that he would receive none.

Dr. Adams asked the meaning of the expression "Labour and wages," and was informed that the distinction was drawn between payments to the regular staff and those made to labour employed by the day. Dr. Adams then expressed a hope that the grievances of which he heard outside would now be done away with under the new régime. There was said to be great difficulty in coming to terms with the Dock Company when little jobs had been commenced on board, or slight repairs to machinery were desired to be made by small outside firms. He was sure the Company had lost much simple dockage on this account; and this would be a good opportunity of making public any change in the arrangements.

The Chairman said that he was not aware that there was any difficulty like that referred to, as it was the intention to make the Docks as accessible as possible to every kind of work; but he could quite conceive of vessels going into dock and making use of the advantage which should be done by other repairs which properly done by the Company. It was a subject which required serious consideration.

Mr. Gillies (secretary) explained that since he had taken charge of the Company's business, he had met with one or two cases in which the Company could have obtained business had they consented to allow others to work on board. It was on this condition they obtained the work on the *Riga*; and if the Directors gave their consent, he would always be glad to dock vessels and allow any repairs to be carried on, so long as they did not affect the hull and were repairs which could as well be done out of dock as in dock.

Dr Adams said that the explanation was quite satisfactory.

The Chairman observed that the subject would be considered.

Mr Bell having seconded the adoption of the report and accounts, they were passed unanimously.

Mr Coxon proposed, and Dr Adams seconded, the re-election of Messrs Moliver and Hoppius and the confirmation of Mr Emory, as Directors; which was also carried unanimously.

Mr Bell proposed, and Mr Cordes seconded, the re-election of Mr Robinson, and the election of Mr Linstead, as an auditor; which was unanimously carried.

The meeting then separated.

#### HONGKONG RACES, 1876.

##### FOURTH DAY,

Monday, 28th February, 1876.

The few races which generally form a sort of appendix to the sports of our Colonial Carnival were run this afternoon. The weather was not very propitious, and the ground was rather damp. As was to be expected, the attendance was not large, most of those present seeming to be more intent on business than pleasure. Sir Arthur and Miss Kennedy were present on horseback, and one or two ladies were also on the ground. The first event came off a little before 4 o'clock.

**I.—THE FRIAR CUP**, value \$100,—presented,—for all Griffins Non-winners at this Meeting, to be handicapped by Messrs Nickels and Daly. Entrance \$5, to go to Second Pony. Three-quarters of a mile.

**Dividend**, *Griffin*, *Le Cerf Agile*, *Pimento*, *Poisson d'Avril*, and *Skin-dhu* came forward. The start was effected after a little trouble, *d'Avril* being somewhat restive. **Dividend** secured inside place and took the lead to the bridge, with *d'Avril* second and *Pimento* third. *d'Avril* collared **Dividend** before the Rock was reached and ran neck and neck with him. *Pimento* following a good couple of lengths behind. Passing the Rock *d'Avril* was leading, **Dividend** being second and *Pimento* third. Coming down the incline *Pimento* shewed his mettle, and ere the Village was reached had passed the leaders, and secured first place. *Dividend* second, *d'Avril* third. Here *Dividend* lost his cap, which put him out of the race, and we presume owing to this gave up. Coming into the Straight *Pimento* kept the lead, but was nearly collared by *Griffin*, who now pressed forward, but too late to do more than gain second place; *Pimento* winning by half a length.

**Pimento**, 1  
**Griffin**, 2  
**Poisson d'Avril**, 3  
Time, 1 min. 41 sec.

**2.—THE COCONUT CUP**, value \$100,—presented,—for all China, Manila and Japan Ponies. Weight for inches. Winner of one Race at this Meeting, 7lbs. extra; of two Races, 10lbs. extra; and of three Races, 13lbs. extra. Winner of the German Cup, 7lbs. extra. Penalties accumulative. One mile.

**Black Satin**, *Fleeting*, *Folly*, *Kreutzer*, *Pegasus*, *Pontiff*, and *Steamboat* appeared. An excellent start was effected, *Kreutzer* getting inside place. But on passing the Stand *Pegasus* took the lead and kept it to the bridge, *Kreutzer* being second and *Pontiff* third. Before the Rock was reached *Kreutzer* was leading by about two lengths. *Pegasus* being hard pressed by *Black Satin*, who now came to the front, and caught *Pegasus* by the time the Rock was passed and gained rapidly on the leader. In the Straight he caught the leader, and passed him winning by two lengths.

**Black Satin**, 1  
**Kreutzer**, 2  
**Pontiff**, 3  
Time, 1 min. 12 sec.

This race was well run throughout.

**3.—THE TAKINGWANG CUP**, value \$200,—presented,—for all Ponies that have run at this Meeting, to be handicapped by E. Sheppard, Esq., and the Owners of *Takengwang*. Entrance \$5, to go to Second Pony. One-mile-and-a-half.

**Cherokee**, *Cerami*, *Fury*, *Talapeosa* and *White Friar* ran. This was the best race of the day and was pronounced by all very prettily run. Some trouble was experienced at starting and a false start was made, but when at length they did get off, they began well. *Cherokee* took inside place, *White Friar* second, and *Talapeosa* third. Passing the Stand the first time, *Coronet* was leading by two lengths, with *Cherokee* and *Fury* running nearly neck-and-neck behind him, and the other two neck-and-neck behind them. Near the Bridge *Talapeosa* and *White Friar* pressed to the front, the *White Friar* passed the Rock, and *Talapeosa* followed. The *Fury* led passing the Rock, with *Talapeosa* close beside him. *Talapeosa* gained a slight advantage before they got to the Village, and coming down the Straight it was a neck-and-neck race—*The Friar* winning only by a nose.

**White Friar**, 1  
**Talapeosa**, 2  
**Cherokee**, 3  
Time, 3 min. 25 sec.

**4.—THE NATIVE SCRAMBLE**, for China Ponies First Pony, \$25; Second, \$10; Third, \$5; to be ridden by Chinamen. Catch Weight, Once Round.

**Kreutzer**, *Scamp*, *Daylight*, and *White Friar* ran. This race caused much amusement, as it was almost impossible to get the ponies together. *Scamp* especially was outrageous and could not be persuaded to move at all for some time. At length he had a race by himself, but was ultimately brought up. The start was effected and they went round pretty well together. *Kreutzer* was very well ridden, and came in a winner. His Jockey throwing up his whip in quite a sporting style as he passed the winning post.

**Kreutzer**, 1  
**Scamp**, 2  
**Daylight**, 3

#### Police Intelligence.

(Both Magistrates sitting.)

Feb. 23, 1876.

##### OBSTRUCTION.

The occupant of house No. 55 Praya East again appeared to answer the charge, preferred by F. C. Hennessy, for obstructing the public thoroughfare in front of his house by weighing coals thereon. The defendants in this case were Messrs Landstein & Co., the owners or lessees of the Pier and Godown Company. Mr Macpherson, from the firm, appeared at the last sitting to answer to the summons. He urged the emergency of the occasion, a steamer having to be coaled during the night of the 18th, that there was no intention to break the law, and that the obstruction on this occasion was caused out of sheer necessity. The case was considered.

Mr Coxon proposed, and Dr Adams seconded, the re-election of Messrs Moliver and Hoppius and the confirmation of Mr Emory, as Directors; which was also carried unanimously.

Mr Bell proposed, and Mr Cordes seconded, the re-election of Mr Robinson, and the election of Mr Linstead, as an auditor; which was unanimously carried.

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##### AN INVESTIGATE DRUNKARD.

Frederick Graff, a seaman unemployed,

was brought up for being drunk at the Home. When he was locked up at the cell of No. 7 Station, he was very violent and did damage to some Government property. He had just come out of gaol last Friday after a term of seven days. The defendant said he wanted to get a ship and that the Superintendent of the Home had told him that he was to get a ship to-day. He was consequently sent to Mr Lordling, who reported, however, that there was no chance for him to-day, but that if he was kept in gaol for a short time, an effort would be made to get him out of the Colony. He was, however, a most inveterate drunkard. The man was sent to gaol for seven days.

**REFUSAL OF DUTY.**

Two seamen on board the British steamer *Abbotsford*, were brought up again to-day for refusal of duty.

It was conclusively proved that they were on the ship's articles,

and they were sent to six weeks' hard labour each, they having persistently refused the chance of resuming work.

##### OBSTRUCTION.

We believe that a certain amount of mis-

apprehension has existed lately with respect to the action of the Municipal police, in interfering with gambling parties in native private houses. It has been remarked, with much apparent reason, that a foreign policeman has no more right to enter a Chinese house and interrupt a party engaged in this pursuit than to walk into a foreign hong and upset a loo-table; and we confess that however much the end may be said to have justified the means, we have taken the same view of the matter. There are public gaming-houses in Shanghai; everything is done in private houses, but in a room hired for the night by one or two professional gamblers, who claim a percentage on the winnings. We are informed that as many as two hundred persons may be on one evening, going in and out of these establishments, the privacy of which, for the time being at any rate, certainly exists in no more than name; and that the house of a wealthy Chinaman may be frequently so abused without his knowledge, a servant in his employ, perhaps, taking advantage of his master's absence or retirement to turn an honest dollar by letting his own room. It is under these circumstances that the gambling becomes a public evil; considerable sums change hands, the play is not always above-board, and trouble naturally results. But the gambling that goes on at tea-houses is of the most moderate and harmless description. One may see a couple of coolies playing eagerly though warily a game which lasts for twenty minutes—a game, too, intricate and difficult in the extreme—and all for a single cash. A man who rose from the table three cash richer than he sat down would be looked upon as rather a heavy winner!

##### A DARING BURGLARY.

Two Chinamen, one of whom was lately

a servant in the house, were brought up for a burglary on the house of Mr Thomas Holloway, the proprietor of the Star Tavern. It appeared from the evidence that the robbery was one of the most daring and preconcerted nature. On the night of the 27th, while the inmates of the house were in the shop, a robbery appeared to have been committed on the house, and the exploits of the burglar or burglars seemed to have lasted more than an hour in duration. About the hour in question, a boy in the employment of the house reported his suspicion of some robbery being in the house, and a search was made. It was discovered that entry had been made to the house by means of access from above, and that all the rooms on the upper floor had been visited, and that the burglar had been over one hour on the expedition; they being no less than six work-boxes ransacked. Two wardrobes broken open with their contents strewn about, while an attempt was made to hoist up to the roof the safe, the screw of which to the floor had been carefully removed. The attempt was fortunately discovered in time, and it saved the proprietor \$750 in money, \$1800 in jewellery and a large amount in valuable securities. The thieves had as far succeeded that they had managed to fasten the safe with ropes on both sides ready to be hoisted up and carried away, had it not been that the discovery of the robbery was at opportune. The case was remanded till the 1st instant. There were marks of blood on the floor indicating that the thieves had been all over the premises upstairs and that one had been cut in the foot in getting over the "glass" wall.

##### NINFO.

(Courier correspondent.)

14th February, 1876.

The *Kiangsu* to-day takes from our mid-

R. J. Forrest, Esq., who has been performing

the duties of British Consul at this port for

some time past. He has been appointed to

the port of Kiung-chow in Foochow.

His successor is F. Warren, Esq., who has just re-

turned from home at the expiration of his leave of absence. This gentleman was for

merly at Foochow. General Forrest has to

day presented Mr. T. B. Golding, our en-

gaged Superintendent of Police, with a gold

medal in recognition of his zeal and ability

in the discharge of his duty. Another well-

known resident with his family has left us.

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OLYPHANT & CO., General Agents, Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

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